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1. IN COMMENTING ON RELEASE AND EXPULSION OF MRS. BENTLEY AND MISS WATERMAN FSFA NORTH AMERICA DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR STARCEVIC FEBRUARY 12 SAID THAT GOY "HAS DONE WHAT IS RIGHT." IN STRONG TERMS HE ASKED FOR USG LEGAL ACTION AGAINST KASIKOVIC WHO HE ALLEGED "WOULD NOT HESITATE TO USE INNOCENT PERSONS LIKE THESE TWO LADIES TO SMUGGLE WEAPONS AS WELL AS HOSTILE PROPAGANDA INTO YUGOSLAVIA."

2. IN REPLY WE STRESSED OUR PLEASURE OVER RELEASE OF TWO LADIES AS WELL AS MRS. BENTLEY'S PRAISE OF CONDUCT OF YUGOSLAV AUTHORITIES. WE ALSO NOTED THE ANGER SHE HAD EXPRESSED TO CONSUL REGARDING KASIKOVIC.

3. COMMENT: RECALLING SUCH CASES AS THE TWO ENGLISHMEN IMPRISONED FOR "AIRPLANE SPOTTING", WE REGARD MRS. BENTLEY AND MISS WATERMAN AS EXTREMELY FORTUNATE. WE HOPE THAT DEPT WILL PROMPTLY PURSUE WHATEVER ACTION MIGHT BE APPROPRIATE AND POSSIBLE TO PREVENT REPETITION OF EMIGRES LIKE KASIKOVIC

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USING NAIVE TRAVELERS TO YUGOSLAVIA TO CARRY OUT THEIR ACTIVITIES

HOSTILE TO GOY. WE HAVE IN MIND PUBLICIZING IN CHICAGO AREA AND
ELSEWHERE THE PERILOUS SITUATION IN WHICH MRS. BENTLEY AND MISS
WATERMAN WERE PUT AND THEIR EXTREME GOOD FORTUNE TO AVOID
PRISON. WE ALSO NOTE ALLEGATION AS REPORTED REFTEL A THAT
MATERIAL PROVIDED BY KASIKOVIC CALLED FOR ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
TITO. IF THIS MATERIAL WOULD PROVIDE BASIS FOR ANY LEGAL ACTION
AGAINST KASIKOVIC WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO ASK GOY FOR COPIES.
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